

# Substance Misuse & Coronavirus 19

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## Policy Changes & Delivery of Services

### How the COVID-19 pandemic is fast-tracking the move to digital platforms within addiction services

The pandemic is transforming the way that addiction treatment services are delivered and digital technology is playing an increasingly vital role in the delivery of treatment

[NHS Addictions Provider Alliance](#)

## Health & Behaviour

### Alcoholism in the time of coronavirus

Alcohol abuse has increased during the coronavirus pandemic, according to the British Liver Trust, which has reported a 500% rise in calls to its helpline since lockdown began in March

[BBC News](#)

### Changes in adult alcohol use and consequences during the COVID-19 pandemic

Study examines individual-level changes as well as demographic disparities, from before to during the COVID-19 pandemic [JAMA Network Open](#)

### Mental health and health behaviours before and during the initial phase of the COVID-19 lockdown

Examined trends in the UK, and differences across population subgroups

[Journal of Epidemiology and Community Groups](#)

### Smoking and respiratory disease

This factsheet provides an overview of the harm caused by smoking and the different types of respiratory diseases including COVID-19 [Action on Smoking and Health \[ASH\]](#)

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